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Dear Sir/Madam:

As you are aware, Asset Management has become a very hot topic for utilities, municipal agencies and the service industries. Our group has formed an ad hoc group of Asset Management practitioners who meet periodically to discuss and swap information, ideas and concepts to advance the implementation of Asset Management here in the Northwest United States. We rely on volunteers to support all events and have the following aims:

- * To improve the Asset Management skills of practitioners
- * To raise awareness of and commitment to sustainable management of assets among the community and by decision makers
- * To develop and provide for exchange of ideas, information and technology
- * To share examples of strategic asset management, its processes that achieve practical outcomes
- * To provide leadership and support to municipal and state agencies, utilities and service providers
- * To provide advocacy to advance asset management issues and training opportunities
- * To provide case study examples of on-the-ground asset management and its evolution by practitioners

We are now in the process of coordinating a training exercise in association with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA), a two-day asset management training, "Tom's Bad Day". We wish to invite you and your organization to join with us. We are looking for co-sponsors of the event, or a meal, and help advertise the event. The workshop will be held November 8th and 9th, 2006 at the Water Resources Education Center in Vancouver, Washington

If you just wish to help advertise please find a draft flyer attached. We would appreciate you running this in your monthly journal or that you send it to your members through your normal communication routes.

If you are willing to co-sponsor or support the event in some way please contact one of the committee members listed below at AMUG@comcast.net

Thank you for your help.
Kind regards,

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